The Waite Hill Police Beat

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Dear Residents:

We are closely monitoring the global outbreak of the COVID-19 coronavirus and are working to safeguard the health of our Village. For residents who are infirm and have no family in the area, please call Village Hall with any needs and we will try to make accommodations for supplies. Below are sites where you can retrieve information. All directives and suggested practices are coming from our County Health Department.

Village Hall is now closed to the general public; however, we are sufficiently staffed. We can be contacted by phone, our website (waitehilloh.gov), and e-mail for non-emergency inquiries or assistance. There will be a drop box in the vestibule of the front lobby if you need to drop off anything. Continue to dial 9-1-1 for emergencies.

Chief Keith DeWitt	440-942-6279	non-emergency line	chief@waitehilloh.gov
Police Office	440-942-5015	non-emergency line	
Service Dept.	440-942-2074		bhaynik@waitehilloh.gov
Clerk-Treasurer	440-942-1612		rlaps@waitehilloh.gov
Dispatch	440-942-1660	non-emergency line	

https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/ has up-to-date information about COVID-19 in OH

https://www.lcghd.org/ (Lake County General Health District) has some county-specific information

https://www.cdc.gov (Center for Disease Control)

https://odh.ohio.gov (Ohio Board of Health)

You can also tune into the Governor's briefings at 2:00 pm on your local channels

Police Department:

Officers on duty will be limiting their exposure as much as possible. We will not accompany Rescue/EMS into homes except in life-threatening situations. Please call the department for minor incidents rather than in person.

Lastly as with all other scams, DO NOT ALLOW ANYONE IN YOUR HOME and call us if you experience anyone unknown to you arriving at your residence. There has been information received of persons going door-to-door posing as medical personnel and advising that they have to take human temperatures and report back to area hospitals. This is a FALSE action.

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As a reminder, be diligent with keeping your vehicle and home locked. The best deterrents are alarm systems and well-lit properties. Motion lights seem to help when you have them at the four corners of your home.

Service Department:

Trash pickup will continue as usual on Fridays only with limited exposure. There will be NO extra pickups on Thursdays. ALL items for pick up must be placed outside your residence or garage with bags completely tied. The members of the Service Department will not enter your home or garage. If items are not outside or tied up they will not be picked up. You can call the service department with any other questions.

Again, remember to <u>never</u> give out personal information to phone solicitors. If you receive a call or someone at your door, please call the non-emergency number 440-942-1660 or 9-1-1, if you feel it is necessary.

With all of us working together we can mitigate the effects of this crisis. Thanks for doing your part.

Respectfully submitted,

Keith A. DeWitt, Chief of Police

The Waite Hill Village Police Department, as always, looks forward to serving the community. Your safety and security is always our concern!